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1974 STATE PERSONAL INCOME

Per capita personal income in 1974 ranged from $7,062 in Alaska to $3,803 in Mississippi, compared with the U.S. average of $5,448, according to the revised estimates of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, an agency of the United States Department of Commerce.

Per capita income gained the most in 1974 in Alaska (19 percent), Idaho (13-1/4 percent), and Louisiana and Washington (11-1/2 percent each). These gains compare with national increases of 8-1/2 percent for per capita personal income and 11-1/2 percent for consumer prices. Per capita income declined in South Dakota (5 percent) and North Dakota (3 percent), and was unchanged in Iowa.

States with high per capita incomes are concentrated in the Northeast and Far West. Those with low incomes are generally located in the Southeast. Per capita income in 1974 topped the national average by 15 percent to 30 percent in four States and the District of Columbia and trailed the national average by 20 percent to 30 percent in six States (see tables A and B and map).

Total personal income rose in 47 States and the District of Columbia and fell in 3 States from 1973 to 1974. In 32 States and the District of Columbia, personal income increased at a much slower rate than consumer prices. For the Nation, total personal income rose 9-1/4 percent, and consumer prices (measured by the implicit price deflator for personal consumption expenditures) rose 11-1/2 percent; thus, real income was off about 2 percent.

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Gains in total personal income exceeded the national rise in consumer prices in only 10 States--Alaska, Idaho, Washington, Wyoming, Florida, Oregon, South Carolina, Louisiana, Arizona, and Kentucky--where advances ranged from 21-1/2 percent to 11-3/4 percent. Nearly all of these States registered large increases in labor and proprietors' income in manufacturing, mining, construction, and a variety of service-type industries. In eight States--Maine, California, Hawaii, Virginia, North Carolina, Texas, Colorado, and Utah--gains in income ranged from 11-1/2 percent to 10-1/4 percent, about the same as, or slightly less than, the rise in prices. In 29 States and the District of Columbia, gains ranged from 2-1/2 percent to 10 percent. In the remaining three States--Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota--total personal income declined from one-half of 1 percent to 4-3/4 percent. In these three States, which are heavily dependent on farming, farm income declined 24 percent or more, compared with a 17-percent decline in the Nation.

Farm income often changes independently of national business cycles, and these changes--frequently sharp and erratic--obscure current cyclical developments. A clearer picture of the effects that the national business conditions are having on States can be seen in the changes in nonfarm income.

Nonfarm income nationally grew 10-1/4 percent from 1973 to 1974, with increases in the States ranging from 6-3/4 percent in Rhode Island to 21-1/2 percent in Alaska. The effects of the current national recession on nonfarm income were concentrated in the North and East and were least apparent in the South and West (table C). Below-average gains in nonfarm income were registered in 11 States and the District of Columbia (where increases ranged from 6-3/4 percent to 9-1/2 percent); gains approximately equaled the average in 12 States (up 9-3/4 percent to 10-3/4 percent) and were above the average in 27 States (up 11 percent to 21-1/2 percent). (Table C lists the States in each of the three groups, ranked according to percent change in nonfarm income.)

Manufacturing, mining, and Federal Government payrolls accounted for most of the State differentials in nonfarm income changes. Sharp advances in unemployment compensation payments cushioned the weakness in other sources.

SLOW GAINERS

Ten of the eleven States where nonfarm income gained at rates well below the national average are located in the three usually slow-growing regions in the East and North: New England, Mideast, and Great Lakes. The 10 States are Rhode Island, Michigan, New York, Indiana, Delaware, Massachusetts, Ohio, New Jersey, Vermont, and Illinois. Gains were also slow in Missouri, which shares many characteristics with the States located in the Great Lakes region, and the District of Columbia.

FAST GAINERS

Of the 27 States where nonfarm income grew at a pace well above the national average, all but 2 States, Alaska and Hawaii, are located in the regions of the South and West, which have usually grown faster than the national average.

Among the fast-growing States, sharp gains in mining were registered in Alaska, Wyoming, New Mexico, Montana, Kentucky, Texas, and Tennessee. In these States, mining either is an important source of income or is rapidly growing in importance. In Forida, Arizona, and New Mexico, large gains occurred in service-type industries, because the States continued to attract new residents and vacationers.

Additional data appear in the August Survey of Current Business, published by the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

The Survey is available from the District Offices of the Department of Commerce or from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, at an annual subscription price of $48.30, including weekly supplements; single copy $3.00.

Attachments

Note:-- Per capita personal income equals total personal income divided by total population.

Total personal income consists of private and government wage and salary payments in cash and in kind, other labor income, farm and nonfarm proprietors' income, interest, net rents, dividends, and transfer payments, less personal contributions for social insurance. It is measured before the deduction of personal income and other personal taxes and is reported in current dollars (no adjustment is made for price changes).

Estimates of total and per capita personal income for each region and State, along with rates of change, are shown in table A. This table also shows the State composition of each region. A ranking of the States and regions by per capita income for 1974 is shown in table B. A ranking of percent changes in nonfarm personal income in 1973 to 1974 is shown in table C. The map shows per capita income in the States and regions in 1974.

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Table A.--Per Capita and Total Personal Income, by States and Regions, 1973-74

State and region	Per capita personal income				Total personal income		
	Dollars		Percent change 1973-74	Percent of national average in 1974	Millions of dollars		Percent change 1973-74
	1973	1974			1973	1974	
United States	5,023	5,448	8.5	100	1,054,081	1,151,622	9.3
New England	5,217	5,701	9.3	105	63,363	69,263	9.3
Connecticut	5,896	6,455	9.5	118	18,156	19,934	9.8
Maine	4,153	4,590	10.5	84	4,314	4,806	11.4
Massachusetts	5,275	5,757	9.1	106	30,590	33,391	9.2
New Hampshire	4,592	4,944	7.7	91	3,646	3,995	9.6
Rhode Island	4,847	5,343	10.2	98	4,688	5,006	6.8
Vermont	4,227	4,534	7.3	83	1,969	2,131	8.2
Mideast	5,470	5,973	9.2	110	234,020	254,838	8.9
Delaware	5,845	6,306	7.9	116	3,347	3,614	8.0
District of Columbia	6,433	7,044	9.5	129	4,721	5,093	7.9
Maryland	5,442	5,943	9.2	109	22,170	24,329	9.7
New Jersey	5,719	6,247	9.2	115	41,893	45,790	9.3
New York	5,659	6,159	8.8	113	103,079	111,541	8.2
Pennsylvania	4,958	5,447	9.9	100	58,810	64,471	9.6
Great Lakes	5,294	5,720	8.0	105	216,126	233,749	8.2
Illinois	5,728	6,234	8.8	114	64,022	69,396	8.4
Indiana	4,929	5,184	5.2	95	26,141	27,631	5.7
Michigan	5,506	5,883	6.8	108	49,886	53,520	7.3
Ohio	5,050	5,518	9.3	101	54,254	59,245	9.2
Wisconsin	4,807	5,247	9.2	96	21,822	23,957	9.8
Plains	5,077	5,260	3.6	97	84,452	87,747	3.9
Iowa	5,291	5,279	- .2	97	15,148	15,072	- .5
Kansas	5,224	5,500	5.3	101	11,829	12,485	5.5
Minnesota	5,106	5,422	6.2	100	19,861	21,238	6.9
Missouri	4,752	5,036	6.0	92	22,656	24,056	6.2
Nebraska	5,187	5,278	1.8	97	7,949	8,144	2.5
North Dakota	5,746	5,583	- 2.8	102	3,651	3,556	- 2.6
South Dakota	4,923	4,685	- 4.8	86	3,357	3,195	- 4.8
Southeast	4,308	4,696	9.0	86	199,420	220,870	10.8
Alabama	3,886	4,215	8.5	77	13,781	15,076	9.4
Arkansas	3,883	4,200	8.2	77	7,900	8,660	9.6
Florida	5,041	5,416	7.4	99	39,047	43,816	12.2
Georgia	4,402	4,751	7.9	87	21,209	23,196	9.4
Kentucky	4,009	4,442	10.8	82	13,342	14,912	11.8
Louisiana	3,942	4,391	11.4	81	14,765	16,528	11.9
Mississippi	3,542	3,803	7.4	70	8,206	8,839	7.7
North Carolina	4,267	4,665	9.3	86	22,625	25,017	10.6
South Carolina	3,935	4,311	9.6	79	10,718	12,003	12.0
Tennessee	4,174	4,551	9.0	84	17,091	18,789	9.9
Virginia	4,874	5,339	9.5	98	23,610	26,205	11.0
West Virginia	3,985	4,372	9.7	80	7,126	7,829	9.9
Southwest	4,501	4,866	8.1	89	79,536	87,759	10.3
Arizona	4,764	5,127	7.6	94	9,876	11,039	11.8
New Mexico	3,871	4,137	6.9	76	4,255	4,642	9.1
Oklahoma	4,252	4,581	7.7	84	11,347	12,409	9.4
Texas	4,570	4,952	8.4	91	54,058	59,669	10.4
Rocky Mountain	4,710	5,128	8.9	94	25,797	28,524	10.6
Colorado	5,058	5,515	9.0	101	12,482	13,765	10.3
Idaho	4,345	4,918	13.2	90	3,371	3,929	16.6
Montana	4,742	4,956	4.5	91	3,460	3,643	5.3
Utah	4,137	4,473	8.1	82	4,759	5,247	10.3
Wyoming	4,892	5,404	10.5	99	1,726	1,940	12.4
Far West	5,393	5,929	9.9	109	144,819	161,387	11.4
California	5,491	6,032	9.9	111	113,404	126,118	11.2
Nevada	5,698	6,016	5.6	110	3,140	3,447	9.8
Oregon	4,810	5,284	9.9	97	10,675	11,973	12.2
Washington	5,129	5,710	11.3	105	17,600	19,849	12.8
Alaska	5,930	7,062	19.1	130	1,957	2,380	21.6
Hawaii	5,539	6,042	9.1	111	4,592	5,105	11.2

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Table B.--Per Capita Income Ranking of the States and Regions, 1974

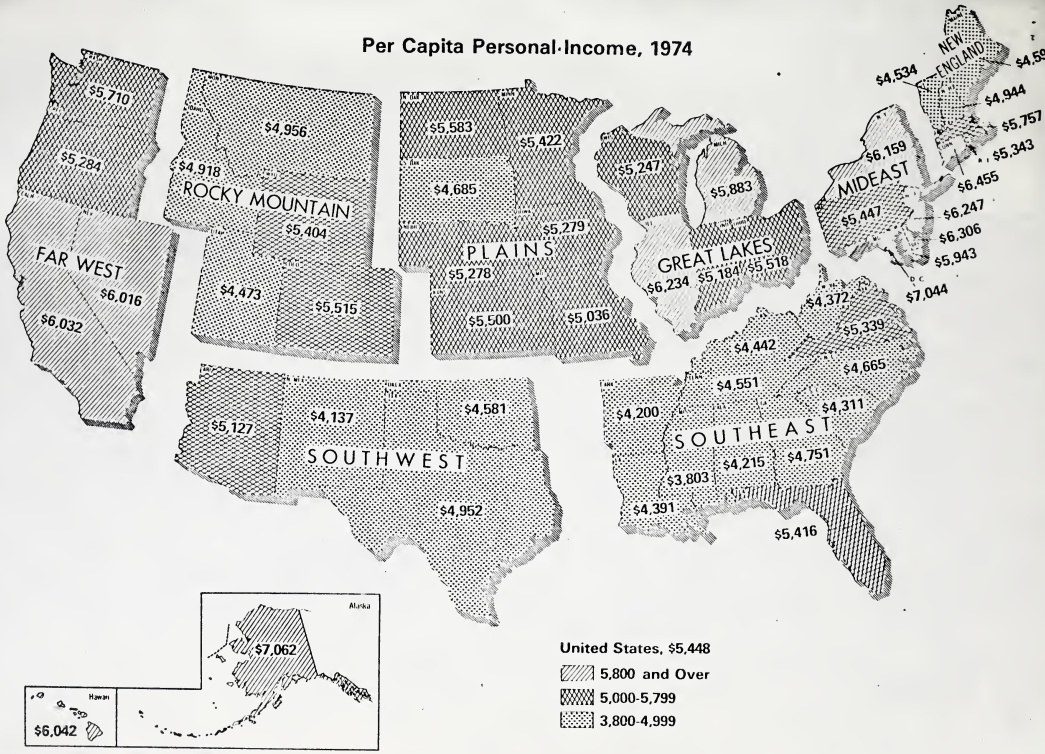
Rank	States and regions	Amount (dollars)	Percent of national average	Dollar difference from national average
	United States	5,448	100	---
	States			
1	Alaska	7,062	130	1,614
--	District of Columbia	7,044	129	1,596
2	Connecticut	6,455	118	1,007
3	Delaware	6,306	116	858
4	New Jersey	6,247	115	799
5	Illinois	6,234	114	786
6	New York	6,159	113	711
7	Hawaii	6,042	111	594
8	California	6,032	111	584
9	Nevada	6,016	110	568
10	Maryland	5,943	109	495
11	Michigan	5,883	108	435
12	Massachusetts	5,757	106	309
13	Washington	5,710	105	262
14	North Dakota	5,583	102	135
15	Ohio	5,518	101	70
16	Colorado	5,515	101	67
17	Kansas	5,500	101	52
18	Pennsylvania	5,447	100	- 1
19	Minnesota	5,422	100	- 26
20	Florida	5,416	99	- 32
21	Wyoming	5,404	99	- 44
22	Rhode Island	5,343	98	- 105
23	Virginia	5,339	98	- 109
24	Oregon	5,284	97	- 164
25	Iowa	5,279	97	- 169
26	Nebraska	5,278	97	- 170
27	Wisconsin	5,247	96	- 201
28	Indiana	5,184	95	- 264
29	Arizona	5,127	94	- 321
30	Missouri	5,036	92	- 412
31	Montana	4,956	91	- 492
32	Texas	4,952	91	- 496
33	New Hampshire	4,944	91	- 504
34	Idaho	4,918	90	- 530
35	Georgia	4,751	87	- 697
36	South Dakota	4,685	86	- 763
37	North Carolina	4,665	86	- 783
38	Maine	4,590	84	- 858
39	Oklahoma	4,581	84	- 867
40	Tennessee	4,551	84	- 897
41	Vermont	4,534	83	- 914
42	Utah	4,473	82	- 975
43	Kentucky	4,442	82	- 1,006
44	Louisiana	4,391	81	- 1,057
45	West Virginia	4,372	80	- 1,076
46	South Carolina	4,311	79	- 1,137
47	Alabama	4,215	77	- 1,233
48	Arkansas	4,200	77	- 1,248
49	New Mexico	4,137	76	- 1,311
50	Mississippi	3,803	70	- 1,645
	Regions			
1	Mideast	5,973	110	525
2	Far West	5,929	109	481
3	Great Lakes	5,720	105	272
4	New England	5,701	105	253
5	Plains	5,260	97	- 188
6	Rocky Mountain	5,128	94	- 320
7	Southwest	4,866	89	- 582
8	Southeast	4,696	86	- 752

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Table C.--Nonfarm Personal Income, Total Personal Income, and Selected Components, 1973-74

Rank according to gain in nonfarm income	Percent change, 1973 - 74							Index, U. S. percent change = 100	
	Nonfarm income	Labor and proprietors' income			Government unemployment insurance benefits	Farm income	Total personal income	Nonfarm income	Total personal income
		Manufacturing	Mining	Federal Government					
United States	10.3	8.2	19.6	7.1	59.8	- 16.9	9.3	100	100
States									
States with above-avg. gains:									
1 Alaska	21.6	20.6	72.4	6.5	28.3	- 5.0	21.6	210	232
2 Wyoming	16.5	9.2	38.6	6.6	10.2	- 31.1	12.4	160	133
3 Texas	13.5	14.9	27.1	5.4	30.0	- 46.5	10.4	131	112
4 Idaho	13.4	11.1	25.8	10.1	39.1	34.9	16.6	130	178
5 Arkansas	13.0	10.9	13.6	12.4	74.2	- 11.6	9.6	126	103
6 South Carolina	12.6	9.1	17.6	13.2	130.5	- 6.0	12.0	122	129
7 Washington	12.5	13.0	15.2	14.6	28.9	17.9	12.8	121	138
8 Oklahoma	12.4	13.9	24.5	3.7	28.2	- 30.8	9.4	120	101
9 Oregon	12.3	9.4	18.2	11.3	81.0	9.6	12.2	119	131
10 Louisiana	12.3	11.0	15.3	10.0	14.8	5.1	11.9	119	128
11 Florida	12.2	7.5	21.1	8.8	180.8	11.1	12.2	118	131
12 North Dakota	12.2	25.2	27.0	6.2	14.0	- 24.1	- 2.6	118	---
13 New Mexico	12.1	17.2	26.3	6.7	44.1	- 41.1	9.1	117	98
14 Iowa	12.1	15.2	16.2	6.1	25.8	- 46.7	- .5	117	---
15 Montana	11.9	6.8	21.4	7.7	37.3	- 22.7	5.3	116	57
16 Hawaii	11.8	10.8	- 13.8	17.9	41.5	- 10.9	11.2	115	120
17 Alabama	11.8	10.8	26.0	6.9	73.8	- 41.2	9.4	115	101
18 Mississippi	11.7	8.0	15.3	6.6	68.3	- 27.1	7.7	114	83
19 South Dakota	11.7	14.2	10.0	7.8	42.7	- 38.5	- 4.8	114	---
20 Utah	11.6	16.3	17.8	3.6	39.4	- 31.3	10.3	113	110
21 Nebraska	11.6	11.3	17.7	6.5	54.2	- 35.8	2.5	113	27
22 Kentucky	11.5	10.7	38.6	9.4	49.6	16.7	11.8	112	127
23 Tennessee	11.4	9.1	26.4	11.1	85.8	- 34.4	9.9	111	106
24 Virginia	11.3	8.6	21.9	10.5	105.6	- 7.0	11.0	110	118
25 North Carolina	11.3	10.1	18.5	12.0	127.2	- 1.9	10.6	110	114
26 Arizona	11.1	9.9	8.1	8.4	130.7	33.7	11.8	108	127
27 Kansas	11.1	12.2	21.0	7.1	74.2	- 28.4	5.5	108	59
States with near-average gains:									
28 California	10.8	10.4	16.0	6.8	49.4	25.1	11.2	105	120
29 Minnesota	10.8	9.8	8.6	6.8	62.5	- 21.1	6.9	105	74
30 Wisconsin	10.8	10.4	11.6	5.8	48.1	- 13.9	9.8	105	105
31 Colorado	10.6	11.6	21.9	6.2	96.0	4.0	10.3	103	111
32 Maine	10.5	8.8	15.5	4.3	41.0	31.1	11.4	102	123
33 Nevada	10.4	9.4	28.0	5.3	61.4	- 24.4	9.8	101	105
34 West Virginia	10.1	13.9	10.6	3.3	21.2	- 27.6	9.9	98	106
35 Maryland	10.1	9.0	- .1	9.2	44.7	- 25.8	9.7	98	104
36 Georgia	9.9	4.4	13.2	3.0	152.7	- 4.4	9.4	96	101
37 New Hampshire	9.8	8.6	10.8	4.9	139.3	- 20.7	9.6	95	103
38 Connecticut	9.8	10.6	17.5	10.7	49.8	2.2	9.8	95	105
39 Pennsylvania	9.7	9.4	17.1	5.6	46.5	3.2	9.6	94	103
States with below-avg. gains:									
40 Illinois	9.4	8.0	14.4	7.2	51.7	- 19.3	8.4	91	90
41 Vermont	9.4	10.5	9.3	8.2	50.8	- 22.9	8.2	91	88
42 Missouri	9.3	6.1	13.5	8.0	51.9	- 43.4	6.2	90	67
43 New Jersey	9.3	6.9	- 6.8	5.1	49.8	6.8	9.3	90	100
44 Ohio	9.2	6.8	13.9	6.2	130.1	7.0	9.2	89	99
45 Massachusetts	9.2	8.9	- 4.7	- 3.4	38.0	- .4	9.2	89	99
46 Delaware	8.8	7.1	51.1	7.9	151.4	- 14.7	8.0	85	86
47 Indiana	8.6	5.7	6.1	13.6	137.9	- 45.5	5.7	83	61
48 New York	8.3	5.6	9.0	5.7	42.4	- .7	8.2	81	88
-- District of Columbia	7.9	10.1	20.6	4.4	40.5		7.9	77	85
49 Michigan	7.0	.2	16.3	7.8	168.2	30.3	7.3	68	78
50 Rhode Island	6.7	9.2	- 15.1	- 31.2	45.2	41.9	6.8	65	73
Regions									
Regions with above-avg. gains:									
1 Southwest	13.0	14.3	23.8	5.6	47.1	- 37.5	10.3	126	111
2 Rocky Mountain	11.7	12.0	25.2	6.2	53.6	- 2.2	10.6	114	114
3 Southeast	11.6	9.1	19.5	9.2	85.6	- 7.7	10.8	113	116
4 Far West	11.1	10.6	17.1	8.1	48.5	21.3	11.4	108	123
Region with near-average gain:									
5 Plains	10.8	10.1	13.7	7.2	52.5	- 34.7	3.9	105	42
Regions with below-avg. gains:									
6 New England	9.3	9.5	7.2	- 3.3	44.1	9.1	9.3	90	100
7 Mideast	9.0	7.3	13.9	5.9	46.2	- 4.0	8.9	87	96
8 Great Lakes	8.8	5.5	13.6	7.7	108.5	- 16.4	8.2	85	88

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.



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